



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 2818

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 12, 2004, the time period for response having been extended until August 12, 2004 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time. In the prosecution of the application identified above, please consider the following: